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Dear Ms. Hesse:

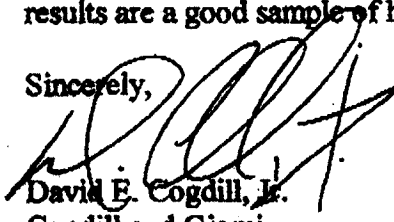
I respectfully ask the courts to settle the case of US v. Microsoft. Though I personally do not agree with the case, my letter is really being written on behalf of the vast majority of Californians.

I work closely with politicians and opinion leaders. That allows me to see polling and information many people don't pay attention to. In November 2001, a California statewide poll was done which provided some important insight into Californians position on the Microsoft case.

The poll was conducted with 804 individuals (a large and fair sample). Of those individuals, 57% believed the terms of the settlement were fair while only 24% believed it did not go far enough. More importantly, over 80% said that if continuing the case meant spending more tax payer money, they believe it is time to settle the case.

Obviously, Californians want to see this case brought to an end. It has been over three years and we do not understand why a settlement can't be reached. This survey and its results are a good sample of how we feel. Please support the settlement of this case.

Sincerely,



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